

**OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 16, 2023, 10:00 A.M.**

STATEMENT OF OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT COMPLIANCE

Notice of this Special Business Meeting was filed with the Secretary of State's office in compliance with the Open Meeting Act.

The agenda was posted at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, in compliance with the Open Meeting Act. It was posted on the Commission website and at 1915 N. Stiles Ave., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the Commission's principal office.

**MINUTES OF THE MARCH 16, 2023, SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING OF THE
OKLAHOMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**

The members of the Oklahoma Workers' Compensation Commission met at 1915 N. Stiles Ave., 2nd floor, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on March 16, 2023.

Members present: Chairman Jordan Russell, Commissioner Megan Tilly, and Commissioner Scott Biggs.

Others Present: Lauren Hammonds Johnson, WCC; Sharon Smith, WCC; Alexander Watkins, WCC; Tava Jones, WCC; Hina Sharma, WCC; Ian Steedman, WCC.

Chairman Russell expressed appreciation for those in attendance. After the roll was taken, he announced the presence of a quorum. The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:00 a.m.

1. PUBLIC HEARING: Public Hearing for Consideration of Proposed Changes to the Commission's Permanent Rules and Possible Action to Approve Rules

The Commission is proposing changes to its current permanent rules, which are available at https://www.ok.gov/wcc/Legal/Governing_Documents/index.html. The Commission's Notices of Rulemaking Intent were submitted to, and accepted by, the Secretary of State, Office of Administrative Rules on December 21, 2022. The Notices of Rulemaking Intent were published in the Oklahoma Register on January 17, 2023.

The Commission provided a comment period in excess of the required thirty-day period from January 17, 2023, to March 16, 2023, during which the Commission solicited comments from the public via regular mail, email at rules@wcc.ok.gov, and at this public hearing.

- a. Discussion and brief overview of the proposed changes to the Commission’s permanent administrative rules:

- Title 810. Chapter 1 General Information
 - Title 810. Chapter 10 Practice and Procedure
 - Title 810. Chapter 15 Medical Services

Lauren Hammonds-Johnson was recognized, presented, and answered questions of the Commission.

- b. Public comments on proposed changes to the Commission’s permanent administrative rules.

There were no public comments.

- c. Discussion and possible action.

Motion: Commissioner Tilly moved to accept the modified language proposed concerning joint petitions.

Second: Commissioner Biggs.

Those voting aye: Chairman Russell, Commissioner Tilly, and Commissioner Biggs.

The motion carried.

Motion: Commissioner Tilly moved to approve the administrative rules as previously amended.

Second: Commissioner Biggs.

Those voting aye: Chairman Russell, Commissioner Tilly, and Commissioner Biggs.

The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT.....Chairman Jordan Russell

Motion: Commissioner Tilly moved to adjourn.

Second: Commissioner Biggs.

Those voting aye: Chairman Russell, Commissioner Tilly, and Commissioner Biggs.

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.